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# Man Arrested After Biting Police Officer

**Date/Time:** 3/1/2022 at 10:10 PM

**Location:** 951 North Resler

**Arrested:** Rajeev Sunkara, 35 years old, Westside El Paso, Texas resident

**El Paso, Texas** – On Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, officers from the Westside Regional Command responded to the Neighborhood Walmart at 951 North Resler to assist an officer. The investigation revealed an officer was working at the Walmart when he observed Rajeev Sunkara assaulting a woman. The officer ran towards Sunkara to stop the assault and Sunkara entered his vehicle. The officer opened the vehicle's door and attempted to place Sunkara under arrest, during the process, Sunkara bit the officer on the hand causing an injury that needed medical treatment. Sunkara also pepper-sprayed the officer in the face before being placed under arrest. The woman assaulted by Sunkara refused to press charges. Sunkara was booked into the El Paso County Detention Facility and charged with:

Assault on a Peace Officer, \$100,000 bond issued by Judge Acosta.

Resisting Arrest, Search or Transport, \$10,000 bond issued by Judge Acosta.

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